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LONDON, August 1.

A Havas Agency despatch from Paris states that, in the opinion of the French Press, the Conference yesterday in London marked an important success for M. Herriot, the French Premier.

The newspapers dwell on the fact that M. Herriot, despite a difficult fight, has not sacrificed France's rights and interests.

All the papers stress the conciliation of mind which France has given proof of during delicate negotiations.

The papers foresee accord in the Conference shortly, on the basis of the French proposition.

AGREEMENT IN SIGHT.

The members of the Third Committee state that agreement is within sight. It is now only a question of drafting certain papers for the plenary Conference to-morrow, which, it is expected, will facilitate the attendance of the Germans on Monday.

CRICKET.

MATCH DRAWN AT BRIGHTON.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, August 1.

The weather at Brighton was cloudy but fair when the game between Sussex and the South Africans was resumed on a good wicket to-day.

The South Africans, who had scored 357 in their 1st innings, made 217 for the loss of 4 wickets in the second and declared at 3 o'clock. Sussex made 88 and "Nourse" 44 not out. Reft took 3 wickets for 43.

Sussex scored 334 in their 1st innings. At the second attempt, they had lost six wickets for 96 when stumps were drawn at 4.30 p.m. to allow of the South Africans leaving for Glamorgan. The match was thus drawn. Hands took 3 wickets for 9 runs in the second innings of Sussex.

COUNTY FIXTURES.

At the Oval, Hampshire led Surrey on the 1st innings.

Surrey made 237 for 9 wickets and declared, Sandham scoring 56.

Hampshire replied with 355 for 9 wickets when they also declared. Made score 140.

Surrey, in their second innings scored 349 for the loss of 5 wickets, Hobbs making 99 and Sandham 84.

At Leyton, Lancashire defeated Essex by 9 wickets, Essex scoring 135 (R. Tyldesley taking 5 wickets for 76), and 195 (R. Tyldesley obtaining 6 victims for 117).

Lancashire declared, in the 1st innings, after making 256 for eight (E. Tyldesley 83). In their second innings, Lancashire lost one wicket for 76.

At Huddersfield, Yorkshire led Derbyshire on the first innings. Yorkshire made 300 for seven and declared, Holmes scoring 107.

Derby compiled 111 in their first innings, Rhodes taking 6 wickets for 23.

Following on, Derby lost eight wickets for 78. Rain robbed Yorkshire of victory.

WIRELESS.

BEAM STATION APPROVED.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, August 1.

The House of Commons has approved the agreement with Marconi with reference to the construction of beam wireless stations.

Mr. Vernon Hartshorn, the Postmaster-General, said he understood an agreement was now being made with Australia and South Africa for the erection of a beam station, as had been already arranged with Canada.

TWELVE YEARS AFTER.

willful perjury in giving evidence on oath in his public examination in bankruptcy before Mr. Registrar Linklater."

Sir Derrick Julius Werner, Bart., was arrested on a warrant granted in 1912 by the late Sir Henry Curtis Bennett, charging him with committing perjury in his bankruptcy proceedings. Later he was brought up at Bow-street Police Court before Mr. Graham Campbell, and after formal evidence of arrest had been given, was remanded on £1,000 bail for a week. Bail was found. Neither the prosecution nor Sir Derrick was legally represented.

Sir Derrick is the son of Lady Ludlow, whose first husband was the late Sir Julius Werner, the South African diamond magnate.

Her treasures, it will be remembered, were stolen from her residence Bath House, Piccadilly, a week before.

On the charge-sheet Sir Derrick was described as 31 years of age, independent, staying at the Russell Hotel, Southampton-row, W.C.

The warrant was dated September 6, 1912, and charged him with "having on May 7, 1912, at my examination

and trial, made a statement,

which was then read to

him, and after being cautioned he

asked, "When does the magistrate sit? Can I get in touch with Sir Charles Russell?" After a pause he added, "You say the warrant

was granted 12 years ago. I have

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SCOUT'S JAMBOREE.

EMPIRE GATHERING AT WEMBLEY.

DUKE OF CONNAUGHT'S WELCOME.

EASTERN TROOPS WELL REPRESENTED.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, August 1.

India, Burma, Ceylon, China, Hongkong and all parts of Great Britain and the Empire were represented among the 13,000 Boy Scouts of various nationalities and colours, participating in the Empire Jamboree at Wembley.

It was inaugurated this afternoon by a great procession at the Wembley Stadium. The Duke of Connaught, accompanied by Lieut-General Sir Robert Baden-Powell, welcomed the boys.

INDIAN TRIBESMEN.

BRITISH TERMS.

SIMLA, August 1.

The Shashi Khel (Shabi Khel), tribesmen have handed over the British Squadron Leader and submitted to the British terms.

In consequence, punitive operations have now ceased.

[A Simla message of July 29, reads: While carrying out bombing operations against the Shashi Khels, South-east of Raznak, a formation of six machines was caught in a heavy fog on the return journey.

Four of them crashed. The crew of the first were not injured, but two of the occupants of the second and third were killed.

The fourth machine fell into the hands of the Wazir; the occupants were injured, but not seriously, it is believed. The other two machines reached the aerodrome safely.]

JAPAN'S TARIFF.

BIRMINGHAM PROTEST.

(Reuter's Service.)

LONDON, August 1.

At a meeting of Birmingham gunmakers, the opinion was voiced that the new Japanese Tariff of 100 per cent. ad valorem in regard to the gun trade was prohibitive. They welcomed the offer of Mr. P. J. H. Hannan, Conservative member for Moseley, in conjunction with Mr. Neville Chamberlain and other local parliamentarians to seek an interview with Government on the subject.

Mr. Hannan said he believed that if the case were presented properly, Japan would be ready to make some concession.

UTTERLY FALSE.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

(Reuter's Service.)

TOKYO, August 1.

"Utterly false" is the official comment on the report of the correspondent of the London "Morning Post" in Paris that a secret Treaty has been reached between Russia and Japan.

It is thought that such reports have been put into systematic circulation for ulterior reasons.

HOLLAND BY-ELECTION.

DEFEAT FOR LABOUR.

The by-election at Holland with Boston to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. W. S. Royce, resulted in the conversion of a Labour majority of 2,366 into a Conservative majority of 806.

The figures were:

Mr. A. W. Dean (Conservative) 12,907.
Dr. Hugh Dalton (Labour) 12,101.
Mr. R. P. Winfrey 7,506.

and again cautioned, and he made no statement in reply.

The Magistrate (to Sir Derrick): Have you any questions to put to the witness?

Sir Derrick: No.

Sir Derrick was educated at Eton and Oxford, and at his examination 12 years ago, when he was adjudged bankrupt, he said that on leaving the university he had contracted liabilities of £40,000, which, he added, were paid by his father.

Sir Julius Werner, in his will, left £150,000 on trust for Sir Derrick for life. Sir Derrick was not to receive more than £1,200 a year while between the ages of 25 and 30, or more than £2,400 after 30; the balance to be accumulated and added to the capital, which, on the son's death, was to be held for the benefit of his widow and children.

To his other sons, Harold Augustus and Alexander Pigott, Sir Julius left £1,500,000 and £1,000,000 respectively for life.

Sir Derrick in 1922 married in New York Miss Theodora Romanov, a young Russian. At that time Sir Derrick said he engaged in an advertising business and liked it.

He was an officer of the Royal Army Service Corps during the war.

He had a large fortune, estimated at £1,000,000, and a large house in London.

He died in 1928, aged 75, and was buried in a cemetery in London.</p

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. H. ROWE,
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Dated this 19th day of July 1924.

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The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be closed from MONDAY, the 8th September to SATURDAY, the 13th September, 1924, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

LI TSE FONG
Acting Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1924.

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Stock, Share & General Brokers.
Hongkong, 28th July, 1924.

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AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of seventy five cents per share has been declared and will be payable on and after WEDNESDAY, the 20th August, when Dividends Warrants may be obtained upon application at the offices of the Company.

The Share Registers of the Company will be closed from Wednesday, 6th August, to Tuesday, 10th August, 1924, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. E. ROBERTS,
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 8th to 22nd August, 1924 (both days inclusive).

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.
Hongkong, 1st August, 1924.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG PROBATE JURISDICTION.

IN THE GOODS OF ARTHUR RYLANDS LOWE, of Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong, Chartered Accountant deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of the Probates Ordinance 1897 (No. 2 of 1897) made an Order limiting the time for sending in claims to or against the above estate to the 31st day of August, 1924. Creditors and Claimants are hereby required to send their claims to the undersigned by the above date.

Dated this 28th day of July, 1924.

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PIRATE ATTACKS:

The report of the Captain Superintendent of Police for last year contains many extremely interesting items—one might almost write a poem about the pirates who had to be deported not less than nineteen times—but probably the most important section is the one dealing with pirate attacks. Between March 29 and December 30 some twelve Hongkong vessels were pirated, the monetary loss being over \$200,000. The "Tai Shun," seized on May 12, contributed \$10,000 to this sum. While it is difficult to think the loss was not greater, as it might easily have been had the "Tai Shun's" fate been the common lot, it is disconcerting to remember that during these affairs two men were killed and eight were wounded, while an English junk's crew was murdered

abandon their evil ways, and they can as it were keep their hand in at the business while they wait for more lucrative victims. Thus although big ships are now fairly safe the menace remains. Accordingly it behoves the responsible authorities to strain every nerve to protect smaller craft, for as long as they are the prey of pirates, the outlaws will continue to thrive, a menace to all vessels, great and small, trading through the danger zone.

Hongkong Crime Decreases.

Some may claim that at present it is too early to pat ourselves on the back for the apparent decrease in violent crimes in this Colony. That there is a decrease there is no question. About a year ago it seemed as if the average number of armed robberies was about one a day if not more. To-day they are few and far between and the corresponding proportion of convictions has increased. We are loath to assert with any degree of certainty to which part of our administration this material improvement should be credited. We think that every department concerned has done its bit towards coping with what once seemed the impossible. Probably the strengthening of our laws has had a deterrent effect. Gradual completion of a network of searchers for carriers of arms has also brought reward and continued police vigilance seems to have nicely rounded off the effort. True, people may meet with a police patrol at night and be questioned and searched but all have gladly put up with the slight inconvenience as it has been proved that many prowlers have been snared in this manner. Let the good work continue and everybody give credit where credit is due.

China Eggs.

The presence of a number of Russian military officers in Canton has naturally caused much speculation as to the actual relations between Dr. Sun Yat-sen and the Soviet. Last week it was announced that a secret treaty had already been entered into between Dr. Sun and the Moscow Government, whereby the latter was said to have recognized the Canton Government as representative of an independent nation. The statement, even if true, will cause many to smile in view of the comparatively small area of South China which now acknowledges Dr. Sun as overlord. In our view, however, the very presence of Bolshevik agents in Canton spells danger. Their achievements in North China have caused nothing but unrest since they gained a footing there some four years ago. Soon after their arrival in Peking, the Chinese authorities refused to allow them to reside on Chinese soil. They appealed to the Corps Diplomatique and were granted permission to reside in the Legation Quarter. From their new quarters they launched a propaganda campaign in English and Chinese. The former was comparatively innocuous, but not so the latter. While no actual formal complaint was ever made by the Chinese Government, feelers were put out with a view to the Legation authorities putting a curb on the activity of Moscow's agents. The danger, however, was never fully realized in diplomatic circles although the American, British, French and Japanese newspapers gave continual warning of what the result might well be. What happened in the North may well be repeated in the South, unless Dr. Sun and his advisers are particularly careful before affixing their seals to documents with the Soviet. M. Karakhan is already counting his chickens from the North China eggs!

Current Comment
(New Policies In Japan.)

The Cabinet change at Tokyo, where Kiego Klyura has yielded to Takaaki Kato, is as important as interesting, notes an American paper. It denotes more than just a shift in party power, with a consequent substitution of one party chieftain for another. In three several ways it indicates new policies in that government which is of largest extent in the Orient. Baron Klyura was scarcely a success as head of state, but his brief official life and dramatic downfall are truly eloquent of a Japan deeply altered in the political sense than in any other. Heretofore, with the present enforced change of Kenseikai for Seiyukuto at a precedent long to endure, the national ministry will have to represent the major group in the popularly chosen House, and this falls the

more appropriately as "Kensokai" is best translated: "Constitutional Government Society." If this phase of the recent shifting of Japan's political weights is clearly of far-reaching import, another, though less talked of, may prove as considerable. Viscount Kato's appointment as Premier is to mark, perhaps, the passing of the balance of power in the islands from the Satsuma clan to the rich Iwasaki family and their supporters. That is to say, it may mean the defeat of the militarized bureaucrats by the rapidly growing commercial magnates. Kato is son-in-law of the founder of the Iwasaki, and this family connection was responsible for his accession to the Kenseikai presidency, and that, of course, has led directly to the seat at the upper end of the Cabinet table. The third of the newer paths which Japanese officialdom now is expected to follow is one of genuine taxation reform, along with a programme of real and drastic financial retrenchment. Not only has the Kenseikai favoured such moves for some time, but it is today recognized, as never before, that the industrial and economic state of the country is essentially unsound, albeit superficially satisfactory, and that prompt steps should be taken in the direction of steadyng this. The loan from the United States last spring, so much criticized when it was obtained, now is seen to have been a vital necessity and its need still stands index to what cannot but be a primary part of the new Government's activities. If the business men of the Nation shall co-operate in all this, a large general good assuredly will result, and apparently exactly this is to be the case. During the just-closed campaign the Shoko, a merchants' and manufacturers' association, supported in the main the Kenseikai candidates and always, on the following conditions: "Use less red tape and more business in government; employ less politics in business; reduce government expenditures; establish budgets and an audit system; prepare for trade, not war; build a merchant marine, not new war craft; pay more attention to foreign commerce and less to foreign politics."

Mr. Henry Hugo LATEST Worthington, J.P., of WILLIS, Grantlands, Uffculme, Devon, late of Wycombe, Bucks, left his wife £90,000, household and personal effects, motor-cars, a residence, and an annuity of £1,500 free of duty, £29,587.

Mr. John Jervis Langley, of Alington, Tower-road, Prenton, Cheshire, and Cook-street, Liverpool, ship and insurance broker and merchant, left £5,000 to Liverpool charities and hospitals, £129,734.

Mr. Arnold Thomas Watson, of Southwold, Tapton Crescent-road, Sheffield, stock and share broker, for some years Assay Master of Sheffield, £72,437.

Miss Gabrielle Eliza Festing, of 56, Queens Gate-terrace, South Kensington, well known as the writer of quasi-historical Indian books, author of "When Kings Rode to Delhi" and "Honour Among Thieves" £14,123.

Mr. Frederick William Pomeroy, RA, of 13, Kensington-square, W., and of Madeira-road, Margate, one of the leading modern sculptors responsible for the statues of Gladstone in the Houses of Parliament, £12,996.

Mr. Richard Higham, 49, Princes-street, Manchester, solicitor, left his furniture and domestic effects and £2 a week for life to his housekeeper, Mary Threadgold, who is to have the right of burial in his grave, £9,032.

"I'm awfully DIPLOMACY, sorry, dad," said Willie, "I think how much trouble I give mother." "She hasn't complained, has she?" "No, she's very patient. But she often sends me to the shops for things, and they are a good way off, and I know she gets cross waiting when she's in a hurry." "Not often, I fancy." "Oh, she's nearly always in a hurry. She gets everything ready for the baking and finds at the last moment she has no yeast, or something, and then she's in an awful fright, and I can't run a long distance, you know, and—I feel awfully sorry for poor mother."

"Humph! Well, what can we do about it?"

"I was thinking, dad, that perhaps you might get me a bicycle."

To-day's Poem.
(The Choice.)

"The little lark trilled out in glee
And ecstasy, and ecstasy.
'Oh look, the skies are blue,' he
said.
'Why don't you come up too,' he
said,
'And play with me?'

The little mole who burrows deep

Began to creep, began to creep.

'The earth is warm and dark,'

said he.

'Why emulate the lark?' said he,

'Come down and sleep.'

Alas, dear lark, I cannot fly.

You soar too high, you soar too

high.

My place is underground, I said,

And earth shall wrap me round,

I said,

There where I lie."

—E. S. Barlow.

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SHADOWS BEFORE.
Coming Events Advertised
In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

August 2.—Coronet Theatre: "Where The Pavement Ends."
August 2.—The Star Theatre: "The Wanderwells."
August 2.—World Theatre: "Animals acting as Men."
August 2.—Queen's Theatre: "Hellotrope."

LAND SALE
August 5.—At P.W.D. Offices, one lot Crown land at Shunshui-poo, 3 p.m.

COMPANY MEETINGS.

September 16.—Extraordinary general meeting of The China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at the Registered Office of the Company, Pedder Street, noon.

October 3.—Second meeting of the China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office, Pedder Street, noon.

October 18.—Extraordinary General Meeting of Douglas S.S. Co., Ltd., at the Registered Office of the Company, 20 Des Voeux Road, Central, noon.

October 20.—Third meeting of The China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office, Pedder Street, noon.

November 5.—Further extraordinary meeting of Douglas S.S. Co., Ltd., at 20 Des Voeux Road Central, noon.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

According to the "Gazette" four additional filter-beds are to be constructed near Laichikok Pass. Tenders are being called for.

H.E. the Governor has given his assent, in the name and on behalf of His Majesty the King, to Ordinance No. 3 of 1924—An Ordinance to amend the law relating to stowaways.

The Hongkong order declaring Saigon to be a port where an infectious disease prevails, has been rescinded.

In the "Gazette" notice is given that the names of the Tung Sang Co., Ltd., and Der A Wing & Co., Ltd., have been struck off the register of companies. (The latter-named company has been reconstituted.)

His Majesty the King has approved the appointment of the Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyoak to be an Unofficial Member of the Executive Council during the absence on leave of the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, Kt., C.M.G.

The Hongkong Automobile Association has issued an up-to-date Handbook, replete with information useful to local motorists and tourists. It should prove a most useful addition to the guidebooks in putting visitors onto the ropes and reminding the local motorists what they owe to the pedestrian.

In the "Gazette" tenders are called for the construction of a fire-fighting, salvage and towing vessel, dimensions of which are length 95 feet B.P., breadth 21 feet O.P. and depth 6 feet moulded.

Tenders are also invited for a covered service reservoir and contingent works in connection with the Shing Mun Valley scheme of waterworks.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Senor Zanni, the Argentinian flier, has arrived at Bunder Abbas.

Sub-Inspector Alfred Reynolds has been appointed an examiner of weights and measures.

Mr. L. Forster has been appointed a member of the Board of Education for two years with effect from July 26.

The name of Dr. Chu Ho-quon, M.B. (Toboku) has been added to the register of Hongkong medical practitioners.

Mr. W. J. L. Smith has been appointed an official Justice of the Peace for Hongkong; Messrs. P. Launder and N. S. Brown are appointed unofficial J.P.'s, according to the "Gazette."

Rev. H. G. and Mrs. Stearn are returning to the Colony on July 18, from London on a four months' course of at least one thousand characters to the illiterate, is being promoted by the Association. Already three teaching centres—Wanchai, Causeway Bay, and Kennedy Town—have been started, with more than a hundred enrolled, mostly by adults who never before had the opportunity to learn to read or write. This movement gives promise of steady growth.

In addition, the Y.M.C.A. promotes weekly educational lectures and clubs, dealing with a great variety of informative subjects.

MURDER CHARGE.

A FURTHER REMAND.

Chen Din, an Indian chauffeur, formerly in the employ of Mr. John Arnold, appeared on remand before Mr. R. E. Lindell at the Magistracy yesterday afternoon. The man is charged with the murder of his wife on May 27. After further evidence for the prosecution had been heard, the case was adjourned until Tuesday afternoon.

CHINA'S BIG MARKET.
CHANCES FOR AUSTRALIA.

TRADE MISSIONARY.

To foster trade between Australia and China is the mission of Mr. W. H. Chen, who reached Sydney on July 6, by the N.Y.K. steamer "Tango Maru."

Mr. Chen, who is a Shanghai solicitor, was born near Newcastle, and received his schooling in Sydney. He said that he had previously been offered the position of "Chinese Consul-General in Australia, but for health reasons he had been compelled to decline the honour.

Mr. Chen, who will spend six weeks in Australia, stressed the great importance for an improvement in the packing of Australian products exported to China, where, he said, there was a vast and ever-growing market for Australian goods.

Dressed in national costume, Mr. Chen wore three large medals, including one he had received for rescue work in the Japanese earthquake.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

FORTNIGHTLY REPORT.

Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods.—The market is in the doldrums and new business is conspicuous only by its absence. In the interim since our last report of American Cotton for both "Spot" and "Futures" has advanced considerably, and manufacturers are asking correspondingly enhanced figures for Cloth. This position is not, however, in any way reflected in Chinese selling rates in this market. Clearances will continue poor.

Cotton Yarn.—Since our last report, there has been a certain amount of enquiry, but owing to the heavy decline in Rupee exchange importers have not been able to meet the demand. Prices, however, have appreciated \$2/3 per bale without leading to any business. Quotations are—No. 10s \$220/240. No. 12s. \$225/245. No. 16s. \$245/250. No. 20s. \$245/250. Arrivals 900 bales. Shipments nil. Sales nil. Unsold stock 8,800 bales. Bargains 1,000 bales.

Woolens.—Market remains exceedingly dull. Clearances poor, and no fresh enquiry.

Raw Cottons.—There is no change to report.

Metals.—Market continues to be very dull. No business reported.

Flour Market Report.—Stock: about 1,300,000. Market: quiet. Quotations: American Patent, \$3.76 per sack; American Straight, \$3.10 per sack; Shanghai Flour, \$3.10 per sack; Australian No. 1, \$3.05 per sack; Canadian Cut-off, \$2.90 per sack.

Sundries.—Market quiet.

Saltwater.—Stock (11,000) bags.

Y.M.C.A.

BOYS' SUMMER SCHOOL.

The steadily expanding work and influence of the Hongkong Chinese Y.M.C.A. in its various departments is well exemplified in its educational phase. In addition to its regularly conducted day and evening schools, which during the past term enrolled more than 400 students, a special summer school for boys is now being promoted to meet the needs of students who are behind in their regular courses or who wish to review certain subjects. Seventy-eight students are enrolled in this school which began last Saturday and will continue one month.

The popular education movement, which among other aims includes the teaching in a four months' course of at least one thousand characters to the illiterate, is being promoted by the Association. Already three teaching centres—Wanchai, Causeway Bay, and Kennedy Town—have been started, with more than a hundred enrolled, mostly by adults who never before had the opportunity to learn to read or write. This movement gives promise of steady growth.

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WEATHER CALENDAR.

AUGUST 2.

WEATHER.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS.

Those who have been keeping an eye on the clerk of the weather to see how he would behave during the week-end will be gratified to learn that the "No. 1 local typhoon signal" (indicating that a gale is possible in Hongkong in 24 hours) was taken down shortly after nine o'clock last night.

This morning the harbour bore a normal appearance but there are still clouds on the horizon, literally and actually.

At 9.40 this morning notice was given of a typhoon in the same position and with the same characteristics as the one mentioned yesterday. Details were as follows:

Position: Lat. 19N., Long. 114E. Direction: Stationary or very slow. Radius: unknown.

This position is within the 300 miles zone and almost due south of the Colony.

A slight drop in the barometer has been recorded despite the lowering of the signal. Yesterday the glass read 29.59 and this morning 29.54 but the wind force has decreased from 5 to 3. The weather report says that the typhoon in question is moving very slowly westward. If it continues to do so it should ultimately strike inland somewhere near Hainan Island.

MANILA WARNINGS.

At 9.30 last night, the American Consulate-General received a cable from Manila, stating that a cyclone or typhoon had been "spotted" South-east of Naha. The direction was unknown. The typhoon, in Long. 114E. and Lat. 19N., was said to be moving West.

TRIAL RUN.

NEW RIVER BOAT TESTED.

This morning the river steamer, "Tung On," built by the Tai Kok Docks for the Tung On S.S. Co. and the first Hongkong river steamer to be fitted with wireless, underwent her first sea trials, putting out from Tai Kok at about ten o'clock. Details were not available when this edition went to press.

The "China Mail" understands that the "Tung On" will leave the docks on or about August 11 when the public will be invited to inspect the vessel. The sister ship, "Sai On," is now in the course of completion.

CHEQUE CHARGE.

THE AWANTED EUROPEAN.

The European for whom the Hongkong Police are looking on charges of obtaining credit by fraud and the like of a cheque book, is not believed to have been long in the Colony.

The cheques he presented were drawn on the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, but he had no account there.

He left the Colony by the "Paul Beau" obtaining false credit for drinks on the way and is still thought to be at Canton.

ARMY FOOTBALL.

PLATOON CUP.

The following matches will be played during next week at Murray Barracks in the Montague-Bates Platoon Challenge Cup Competition. Kick off 5.30 p.m.

Monday.—13 Platoon (Plum and Blue) v. 2 Platoon (Red and Black).

Thursday.—1 Platoon (Dark Blue and White) v. Drums and Signallers (Red and White).

Saturday.—16 Platoon (Black and White) v. 7 Platoon (Blue and White).

MAN OVERBOARD!

DEATH ON FERRY JOURNEY.

At 8.30 a.m. yesterday, a 2nd class Chinese male passenger travelling on the Kowloon ferry jumped overboard whilst the ship was under way from Hongkong to Kowloon and was drowned. Efforts made to save him were of no avail. It is believed to be a case of suicide.

"The King and Queen of Denmark visited the British Empire Exhibition."

About 150 members of the Order of the Hospital of St. John of Jerusalem in England were invested with honour at Buckingham Palace by the King as Sovereign Head of the Grand Priory. Among the candidates were the Duke of York, a Knight of Justice, and the Duchess of York as a Lady of Justice.

SUN'S WAR CHEST.

FRENCH MISSION MAY LOSE LAND.

(From Our Special Correspondent.)

St Peter's Building and other modern offices and residential apartments of the French Catholic Mission in the compound of the Shek Shui, Canton, may come into possession of Dr. Sun Yat-sen eventually, should his son Mr. Sun Fo, now Mayor of Canton, succeed in reclaiming them. It is alleged that the lease to the French Government by the Chinese was intended for the promotion of religion, education, and charity. Those working to swell the war chest of Dr. Sun appear to have located a gold mine. Mayor Sun Fo has already instituted an inquiry and, in the meantime, has directed the Chief of the Property Deeds Examination Bureau to withhold recognition of the deeds of the property concerned, should the owners present themselves for re-validation, as required by a recent order of Dr. Sun Yat-sen.

The French Catholic Mission Compound now occupies more than 60 mu of land on the block lined on the East by the Pak Mai Mai Hong; West Yuk Tse Hong; North, Tai Sun Kai; and South, Yi Tak Loo. Two prosperous streets, the Tai Sun and the Yi Tak, much improve the usefulness of the location for business. On the site are already built a Cathedral, the dormitories of the Sacred Heart College, and many houses for the use of the Mission. St. Peter's and other buildings are new, the latter having already been occupied by Chinese tenants for office and trade purposes. Dr. Sun's followers believe that they may get at least \$1,000,000 from the sale of the land now not actually used for missionary purposes.

SLIGHT DAMAGE.

SS. "TEAN" PUTS INTO TAIKOO.

Early yesterday, the China Navigation steamer "Tean" (agents—Messrs. Butterfield and Swire) put into Hongkong with some slight trouble in her engine room. She was on her way from Swatow to Bangkok and had on board one European and 259 Chinese passengers. After the trouble was attended to in Tai Kok Dock, the "Tean" left again yesterday and proceeded on her journey.

A report to the Harbour Office said that the engine "was broken." However, on inquiry from Messrs. Butterfield's it was gathered that the "breakage" was very small and of moment.

It is believed that ships of the "Tean" class, which are engaged in the passenger traffic between Swatow and Bangkok and call at Hongkong, are allowed certain extensions of the Piracy Prevention regulations. These extensions stipulate that passengers can be carried between Swatow and Bangkok but not between Swatow and Hongkong. Accordingly, it is supposed that the "Tean" bringing passengers into Hongkong on account of engine trouble will not be taken into consideration. During the time the "Tean" was at Tai Kok Dock the Chinese passengers were all kept on board under adequate supervision.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

CHRONICLE OF AUGUST DOINGS.

The "Monthly Messenger," the organ of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, opens with an exhortation by the Vicar to his parishioners to bear up under the present "trying month." He urges them not to let the highest part be overwhelmed by circumstances. The August number also contains a descriptive account of the week-end spent in camp by the Kowloon Troop of Boy Scouts, and the usual notes on doings of the month. The extracts from the diary of the Rev. Howard S. Bailey in connection with the Siege of Kwei Lin make further attractive reading.

JULY RAINFALL.

During the month of July 18.24 inches of rain fell, according to the gauge at the Botanical Gardens. The heaviest fall was 2.18 inches on July 16, while 1.96 inches were registered on July 24. Rain fell every day except eight.

"A wreath, "from his beloved Alexandra," was carried on the coffin of General Sir Digby Probyn, V.C., Comptroller of her Majesty's Household, at the funeral at Kowloon-green, after a memorial service at the Chapel Royal, St. James's.

CHW ONLY!

SHAMEEN STRIKERS IN NEED OF CASH.

No improvement in the Shamian strike situation can be recorded. On Thursday it seemed as if a conference towards which the Canton Government had used its influences would bring some result, but nothing eventuated as the strike leaders were obtuse.

It is reported that the Canton Government signified to the leaders that it was in favour of a settlement but the strike "bosses" refused to be influenced and to-day a breakdown seems inevitable.

A fairly large number of the actual strikers have openly expressed dissatisfaction their cry being "only chow and no pay."

MARINERS NOTE.

The "Gazette" notifies that the "Beckwith" Bell at Lat. 22 deg. 22.45 N., Long. 114 d. 17' E. will discontinue sounding from September 1, and in future will only operate during the foggy season from January 1 to May 31.

TO MARINERS.

S.S. "HEUNGSHAN" WRECK.

\$250,000 OFFER TO WOMAN WHO PLEDGED IT.

Mr. J. A. Samples, the acting Harbour Master at Canton, has issued a notice, warning mariners that salvage operations for the rising of the "Heungshan," sunk in the vicinity of Junk Rock, are near completion. Steamers of whatever size, when nearing, and passing the sunken vessel, are to go as slow as possible in order to avoid causing a surge which might damage the works and endanger life.

A London telegram announces that Mr. Robert Sheridan, a clerk of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, home on leave, has been killed in a motor accident at Downpatrick. His companion, named Irvine, the son of a prominent football official, has had to be taken to hospital in Belfast. Mr. Sheridan had been in the Batavia and Sourabaya branches of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank. He first came to the East in May 1919, after serving with the British Expeditionary Force from 1915 to 1919. He joined the staff of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation on demobilisation.

CZAR'S DIAMOND.

The famous Russian Imperial blue diamond is being offered for sale at Nice, and it is reported that £250,000 has been offered for it by a group of jewellers.

The blue diamond, which was for centuries one of the most prized crown jewels of the Russian Imperial Family, is said to have originally belonged to an Indian temple. It is of a peculiar blue shade and weighs 43 carats. For three years it has been deposited in the vaults of the State Pledge Office as a security for a loan to its present owner, Mlle. Suzanne Thullier, better known as Mlle. Principe.

Arrangements having been made between Mlle. Principe and a financial syndicate for the famous jewel to be withdrawn from the State Pledge Office and for its sale to be negotiated, it is stated that several offers for its purchase have been received, mainly from American firms.

LOCAL "BEGGAR" ARMIES.

During the last two weeks Hongkong's streets have been crowded with processions all bent on collecting funds for relief in flood devastated areas around Canton. One organisation—the Chung Sing Benevolent Society—designated its details as "the 1st Army," "the rear and flank," "commander-in-chief," "patrol officer," etc., and described its drivers as going into action.

By courtesy of the "Wah Tsz Yat Po" we give below some of the views of Hongkong's streets. The banners graphically describe the suffering and give figures of the numbers of homes destroyed and people rendered destitute. It will be noticed that each procession includes a band.



In Chinatown. The Chung Sing Society headed by Mr. Tsang Foo (in long coat and topee), the well-known philanthropist.



Another view of the same "drive."



Along Des Voeux Road Central. The Confucius Society with their band and banners.

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IRISH PROBLEM.

MAY FORCE ISSUE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, August 1.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Mr. J. H. Thomas said that the report of the Judicial Committee was presented to His Majesty yesterday. The report held that the refusal of the Government of North Ireland to appoint a member to the Boundary Commission was a contingency unforeseen at the time of the passage of the Act of Parliament implementing the Irish Treaty. If the refusal was maintained there was no constitutional means under existing statutes of bringing the Commission into existence. The report raised grave issues. The Government was bound in honour to secure the carrying out of the undoubtedly intention of Parliament when it ratified the Treaty (Ministerial cheers).

To Force The Issue.

Mr. J. H. Thomas said that the Government earnestly hoped that the Government of North Ireland, even at the late stage, would appoint a commissioner. If this hope were not fulfilled the Government would forthwith introduce legislation giving effect to the undoubtedly intention of the Irish treaty and would press the passage of the legislation regardless of the consequence to themselves, as the honour not merely of the Government, but that of the country was involved in seeing that the obligation of the treaty imposed on the United Kingdom was fulfilled in the spirit as well as in the letter. Both his colleagues and himself were prepared not to omit any step necessary to place the good faith of parliament and of the people beyond question (Ministerial and Liberal cheers).

Mr. Lloyd George expressed great satisfaction in the announcement of the opposition dissent. He himself and his colleagues would support the Government measures necessary to make clear to the Empire and to the world that the Government was not prepared to shuffle out of the bargain on the mere question of the machinery to carry out its agreement. (Liberal cheers).

Colonel Ashley (Conservative) angrily asked if it was an honourable agreement with Ulster. Mr. Thomas replied that there was nothing more disastrous in this issue than passionate feeling.

Meeting Arranged.

Mr. Thomas continued that at the request of Mr. Ramsay MacDonald he had invited Mr. Wm. T. Cosgrave and Sir James Craig to meet him in London. Mr. Thomas still believed in the possibility of a peaceful settlement. Mr. Ronald McNeill (Conservative) asked if Mr. Thomas realised that the Government's assumption that this was a mere drafting oversight was not universal, and would be hotly contested. Mr. Thomas said he was convinced that any legislation on this question would be hotly contested, but it must not be forgotten that the treaty was not merely ratified by Parliament, but had been endorsed at the general election.

Mr. Thomas said that legislation would not be introduced until after a meeting of Mr. Cosgrave and Sir James Craig. Mr. Wedgwood Benn asked if, in the event of the introduction of the bill if necessary, it would be passed through all stages before the recess. Mr. Thomas said he wanted nothing done to hinder the possibility of a settlement. For him to make such an announcement would have this effect, but emphasised that no steps would be left untaken to prove to the world conclusively, before Parliament rises, what Government intended to do.

Mr. J. H. Thomas announced in the House of Commons that Mr. W. T. Cosgrave, President of the Irish Free State and Sir James Craig, Prime Minister of Northern Ireland, had been invited to London, and that if they failed to agree in regard to the appointment of a Boundary Commission the Government would immediately introduce legislation to give effect to the undoubtedly intention of the treaty between Britain and Ireland, and would press its passage regardless of its consequences to the Government.

WEATHERBOUND?

MACLAREN AND PARTY AT PETROPAVLOVSK.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, August 1.

Squadron Leader MacLaren and the party of British fliers are still at Petrovavlovsk. No details have been received here, but it is believed that the party is weather-bound.

NOTICE TO SHIPPERS AND PASSENGERS.

VESSELS DUE.

FROM BANGKOK.

AUG. 13.—E.A. Bintang.

15.—E.A. Banka.

FROM JAPAN.

Aug. 8.—J.C.J.L. Kitakom.

6.—O.P.S. Kamposhi of Atami.

10.—J.C.J.L. Tidwong.

FROM SINGAPORE.

Aug. 4.—E.B. Sandpon.

8.—B.R.F. Minchou.

12.—B.R.F. Macau.

15.—B.R.F. Glaucus.

20.—B.R.F. Munro.

Sept. 1.—B.R.F. Rivers.

10.—B.R.F. Autolyca.

15.—B.R.F. Patroclus.

16.—B.R.F. Tydus.

27.—B.R.F. Calchas.

FROM CALCUTTA.

Aug. 7.—E.B. Falma.

7.—P.O. Sarabia.

FROM JAVA.

Aug. 7.—J.C.L. Tidjala.

15.—J.C.L. Timanook.

16.—J.C.L. Tidjandi.

FROM MANILA.

Aug. 8.—A.O.L. Pres. Jackson.

8.—U.S.S.B. West Farallon.

28.—U.S.S.B. West Prospect.

FROM ZAMBOANGA & CEBU.

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FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Sept. 1.—E.A. Afraria.

3.—E.A. St. Albans.

JAN.—E.A. Afraria.

FROM SEATTLE, VANCOUVER ETC.

Aug. 4.—B.F. Protocles.

7.—A.O.L. Pres. Jackson.

9.—A.O.L. Pres. Jefferson.

Sept. 3.—B.F. Achilles.

24.—B.F. Philoctetes.

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"DEVANHA"	8,082	8th Aug. 1st Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SICILIA"	6,813	92nd Aug.	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay
"MANJUA"	10,902	23rd Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"NOGOYA"	6,584	30th Aug.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SARDINIA"	6,584	4th Sept.	Spore, Penang, Col'bo & Bonhav
"KALYAN"	6,118	6th Sept.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KAISAR-I-BIND"	11,430	20th Sept.	Spore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay
"SOUDAN"	6,686	2nd Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,965	4th Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MOREA"	10,011	16th Oct.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"SICILIA"	6,813	29th Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Col'bo & B'bay
"KASHGAR"	8,840	1st Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,641	16th Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KARMALA"	9,088	29th Nov.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MANTUA"	10,902	13th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KHIVA"	9,097	27th Dec.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MACEDONIA"	11,098	10th Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,118	24th Jan.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MOREA"	10,911	7th Feb.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"KASHMIR"	8,983	21st Feb.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
"MALWA"	10,941	7th Mar.	Marseilles, London & Antwerp

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

S. S	Tons	From HONGKONG (about)	Destination
"TAKADA"	6,846	20th Aug.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALIMA"	10,000	2nd Sept.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TILAWA"	10,000	6th Sept.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

S. S	Tons	From HONGKONG (about)	Destination
"EASTERN"	4,000	27th Aug.	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
"ARAFURA"	6,694	1st Oct.	
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via Panama Canal.

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN

S. S	Tons	From HONGKONG (about)	Destination
"SARDINIA"	6,884	1st Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KALYAN"	9,118	8th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TALIMA"	10,000	12th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TILAWA"	10,000	18th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KAISAR-I-BIND"	11,430	22nd Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"PESAWOR"	7,934	31st Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TAJRA"	8,000	1st Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KALYAN"	8,963	5th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TALIMA"	8,884	5th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TILAWA"	8,884	18th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KALYAN"	10,911	18th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TALIMA"	10,911	23rd Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TILAWA"	10,911	28th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KAISAR-I-BIND"	11,430	3rd Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"PESAWOR"	7,934	4th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TAJRA"	8,000	14th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KALYAN"	8,963	14th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
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MEXICAN CHARGES.
BRITISH CONSUL UNDER FIRE.

The following message from Mexico City, dated June 16, gives the official version of the position as regards the Cummins incident, brief particulars of which reached here by cable.

This evening, the following declaration was handed to the Mexican Press by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs:

"With a view to the expulsion of Mr. Cunard Cummins, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs considers it necessary to make the following declaration:

1. Mr. Cummins has not held, and does not hold, any diplomatic character; he was solely charged with the custody of the archives of the British Legation, and owing to diplomatic relations between Great Britain and Mexico being suspended he could not deal with any business between his Government and the Mexican in an official manner.

2. Mr. Cummins has been the principal obstacle in the way of the resumption of relations between Mexico and Great Britain, because his own prejudices and interests led him to report to his own Government in a form that was almost inaccurate and biased.

3. In the character of a confidential representative of England he sent the Mexican Chancellor various Notes that did not comply with the requisites of diplomatic correspondence, but were nearly always couched in a violent tone, showing a lack of respect for the Mexican Government.

4. In view of these circumstances the Mexican Government, through the proper channels, two years ago formulated representations to the British Government, setting forth the complaints it had to make against Mr. Cummins, and hinting that pending affairs would be the more easily settled were the said gentleman retired from his post and succeeded by another more calm and courteous personality. In short, it was intimated that Mr. Cummins was not persona grata.

5. The Foreign Office did not think it convenient to lend its ear to these friendly representations and maintained Mr. Cummins in Mexico in spite of everything. Accordingly, the Mexican Government felt compelled by the persistence of Mr. Cummins in his previous conduct to notify the British Consul-General on January 15 of the present year that it would henceforward suspend all correspondence with the said gentleman, and that, consequently, whatever business there might be would have to be transacted through another channel, and that there would be no objection to its being carried on through the Consul. Mr. King, himself, should Great Britain so desire it. On this occasion there were consigned to the British Consul, to be transmitted by him to his Government, two letters couched in disconcerting language which Mr. Cummins had sent the Mexican Government.

6. The attitude of Mr. Cummins was carried to such extremes that not only in writing but also in personal acts he exhibited his want of respect for some Mexican officials.

7. Lastly, and in the matter of the claims put forward by Mrs. Evans, an Englishwoman, he once more manifested his uncompromising spirit, and was himself the obstacle in the way of the satisfactory settlement desired and proposed by the Mexican Government being arrived at with that lady. In this case he made the usual kind of report to his Government, exaggerating the facts and alleging others that were absolutely false, as, for example, when he affirmed that soldiers of the Federal army had burnt and plundered the property of the said lady and that President Obregon had ordered armed men to be sent against her. He once more sent a highly disrespectful note to the Ministry for Foreign Affairs.

8. Then the Mexican Government, on May 3 last, through its Consul-General in Great Britain, once more pointed out to the British Government the inappropriateness of Mr. Cummins's conduct and the inaccuracy of his reports, requesting it to withdraw him; but unfortunately the British Government replied that it considered Mr. Cummins's notes justified and that it necessarily had to give credit to what was affirmed by its representatives.

9. In this state of things the Government intimated that it would be compelled to expel Mr. Cummins as foreigner, whose presence in the country was undesirable, if the British Government did not bring itself to withdraw him, as was to be hoped it would do for the sake of the good relations that ought to exist between the two countries. The British Government replied that Sir Thomas Hohler, now confidential representative of Great Britain, appointed to come to Mexico, would start in June, and that as soon as that gentleman arrived Mr. Cummins would be withdrawn, adding that it saw no reason for doing so before.

10. In view of this manifestation of the British Government, the Mexican Government replied that it had not the slightest intention of suspending the conversations that had been commenced, nor the mission of Sir Thomas Hohler, but that it considered that the country's dignity required that the British Government should disown the false and disconcerting statements of Mr. Cummins; but, far from obtaining a reply in consonance with Mexico's justifiable claims, the British Government again ratified the attitude of Mr. Cummins, which involves an insult to the Mexican Government, which, for the latter's dignity, requires reparation. As the Mexican Government realised that there was no way of reaching an agreement with the British Government on this point, it advised Mr. Cummins that he would have to leave the territory of the Republic within a week after the notification made to him, and as he did not comply therewith, his expulsion was decreed.

11. Nevertheless, after the date had been fixed on which Mr. Cummins was to leave the country, in reply to a letter from the British Government to our Consul in London, a last effort was made by Mexico to settle the incident by the suggestion that the British Government itself should recall Mr. Cummins, thus avoiding any publicity being given to the affair, inasmuch as Mexico has taken care, so far as was compatible with its prestige, to seek a fair solution, not being desirous of giving it publicity or to provoke any measure of violence. Much less could it be thought that Mexico was trying to suspend the conversations with Sir Thomas Hohler, as his despatch to Mexico was a step on the part of the British Government that coincided with the reiterated representations made by Mexico to the effect that the mere presence of a calm and courteous representative would suffice to settle the situation that has prevailed with England during the last few years against the wish of Mexico.

12. As the assigned date for Mr. Cummins's departure from the country has expired and he has not left, notwithstanding the repeated efforts made to settle this affair with England in a friendly manner, the Mexican Government finds itself under the painful necessity of dictating all the necessary measures to enforce compliance with the expulsion order. First, however, if proceeds to make known to international public opinion and to the Mexican people the motives that have determined this resolve, inasmuch as it is a commonplace of international law that a country can at any time and without assigning a reason ask for the withdrawal of any diplomat or agent, without further procedure than declaiming him persona non grata, while the mandatory duty of courtesy for the country concerned to withdraw him immediately. With regard to this particular case, there are numerous precedents in international law, some even in Mexico itself, among others that of a British Minister Plenipotentiary in 1916, who, on being informed that it had been decided to notify him to leave the country as persona non grata, quitted Mexico the day after receiving his information without further delay. To sum up, it must be pointed out that the Mexican Government has acted in this incident with all the prudence and the courtesy that can be expected by one Government from another. Government, especially when a country is in question like England, with which Mexico is at all times disposed to resume friendly relations, provided she sends proper representatives who observe diplomatic customs.

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"BAVU."

STAR'S GREAT MYSTERY PICTURE.

The year's biggest mystery film will be showing at the Star Theatre to-morrow and Monday in "Bavu," which stars Estelle Taylor, Forrest Stanley Wallace Beery, Sylvia Breamer and Josef Swickard. The following gives a brief impression of the story:—

Bavu—who is he? An illiterate peasant! A national leader! A brute with the might of the mob behind him! In peaceful, bloodless days he calls on the pauper to revolt! Mischa, commissioner of licences and the most human leader of the people, sways the mass to the safe side with calm words. Then the home of Prince Markoff is raided by the people and the Princess Markoff, who had known Mischa as her servant, finds him her protector! Then the great fight between the beast, Bavu, and the man, Mischa, begins. A murder of a peasant is committed by Bavu himself and laid to the royal soldiers and the upheaval starts. Bavu gets the Markoff jewels, and, not really a patriot at heart, goes to Mischa for a passport to leave the country. Mischa, wanting to save the Princess and knowing that the only way to get her out of the country is to marry her and take her out himself, tries to trick Bavu with a passport and wedding licence supposedly for Bavu, but really made out for Mischa himself. Illiterate Bavu can't read it and is duped until, while Mischa and the Princess are in his lair, he learns from a faithful sweetheart the meaning of the words on the passport. Then in the shadowy room with its secret doors and passages, its mysterious figures that come and go, Bavu and Mischa fight the fight of liberty! Mischa, wounded, hides in a huge basket. Bavu runs a sword through the basket. Out of the inferno of mad intrigue swift moving figures run to sleighs outdoors and a terrific race over the white snows is started with Love in the lead and mystery bringing up the rear with ghostly demons of fear!

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Some of the scenes of "Humoresque" are laid in New York's Jewish quarter on the East Side. Borzage accordingly brought a Hebrew canto and his choir to the studio. The director prepared to "shoot" the episode in the picture where the musician-hero is told that he will never be able to play again.

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CINEMA CHATTER.

SCREEN BEAUTY.

Writes, Dance Music,

Marguerite de la Motte, the screen beauty who plays an important part in the Fred Nible photoplay production of "The Famous Mrs. Fair," is rapidly winning fame as a composer of dance music. She has many successful dance numbers to her credit, and two most recent ones have scored tremendously in Los Angeles.

Her latest fox trot was recently introduced at the Club Royale, where it was voted the title, "Mediterranean Moon." Another of the talented actress's compositions, "Jacumaminy Lullaby," has already been published and is becoming a popular success.

Miss De La Motte has a leading part in "The Famous Mrs. Fair," James Forbes' great American play, presented as a Metro-Louis B. Mayer production. This photoplay is the first of a series of Fred Nible productions which will be distributed by Metro Pictures Corporation. Miss De La Motte has appeared in other photoplays under Mr. Nible's direction, having scored emphatically in "The Mark of Zorro" and "The Three Musketeers."

Other celebrated players appearing in the cast of "The Famous Mrs. Fair" are Huntly Gordon, Myrtle Stedman, Cullen Landis, Ward Crane, Carmel Myers and Helen Ferguson.

WALLACE REID.

Entirely New Role In "Forever."

Wallace Reid, who generally is visualized behind the wheel of a long nosed racing automobile, changed his conveyance, also his speed, in "Forever." George Fitzmaurice's Paramount picture production, in which he is co-starring with Elsie Ferguson and which will be the feature at the Coronet Theatre shortly. In their newest picture the two stars step from one conveyance into another, none as speedy or modern, however, as a roaring racer, for the story of "Forever" deals with a period antedating the advent of the advent gasoline craze, and permits of no means of locomotion that breathes through a carburetor.

Miss Ferguson and Mr. Reid had their first ride together in a horse-drawn victoria, a vehicle borrowed from the Vanderbilt collection in New York by the Paramount eastern studios. Miss Ferguson next was drawn across the French street set in the studio in an ancient tallyho.

In subsequent scenes the two ride together in a Venetian gondola, propelled by a picturesque brigand. After that they ride together on a camel in the Algerian scenes. Mr. Reid's final mount was an English hunter in the fox hunt scenes.

SOUTH SEAS FILM.

"Where The Pavement Ends."

CORONET'S GREAT ROMANCE

Story Of An Intensely Romantic Picture.

Where the pavement ends, there romance begins. There is no pavement in Wallōg, and there is much romance, yet Matilda Spener, daughter of the missionary, goes wanting, at least until Motauri comes into her life to make real the dreams she dreamed of romance under the soft moon of the Southern seas.

But before he came she dreamed in vain. There was only one available white man on the island—Gregson, an unscrupulous trader, keeper of a rum shop. So when Motauri comes, the incarnation of love and romance, she realizes that her dream has come true.

But Motauri is not of the ways of her people. He is a native, a chieftain of a nearby island, a young woodland god, content to wander the pathless forests and dream idly on the beach, while others work to buy vile rum at Gregson's "Cafe." And Gregson hates this handsome bronze youth because of his aristocratic independence.

Gregson wants Matilda for his own, and swears to have her, although he knows her father, though he regards him as an enemy to his flock. The trader knows nothing of the girl's affair with Motauri. But early one evening he picks them up with his telescope as they stand under the broken lantern of the porch of the little mission. Matilda he sees plainly. He cannot quite make out her companion, but he suspects.

A few days later, Gregson calls on Pastor Spener. He wants to be a friend. No sense in white men living as enemies on a lonely tropical island. The trader tells the missionary he will close his rum shop and become a member of the church. When Matilda comes in Gregson refers to the fact that he has promised to donate a new porch-lantern to the church, and he looks at the girl knowingly. A great fear strikes her as she realizes that this man knows something of her clandestine romance.

After he is gone, Matilda's father speaks happily of Gregson's sudden change. The missionary seems exceedingly anxious to place Gregson in a good light before his daughter. The trader is unmarried and a very rich man. Pastor Spener must look out for the interests of his daughter. Matilda flinches as her father tells her that Gregson has asked for her hand.

Late that day, Motauri comes to her under the arbor of passion vines. She tells him of her fear of Gregson and her father's plans. Motauri pleads that she must go away with him now—to the island where he is chief. He paints a beautiful picture of their future happiness, of their days and nights of love. Overcome by the nearness of the realization of her dream of love, and remembering approvingly.

"ROBIN HOOD."

Chosen As Best Photoplay of 1923.

"Robin Hood," which comes to the Star Theatre, on Tuesday, was the first choice of photoplay "fans" in the United States, France and Mexico, as the most noted cinema production of 1923, according to the returns from the three countries which are now in hand.

In the United States this Fairbanks production, a United Artists release, received the highest vote by more than 300,000 in a contest conducted by the "Photoplay Magazine," and Mr. Fairbanks received the gold medal, annually offered by the "Photoplay Magazine." It is inscribed "To Douglas Fairbanks for the Production of Robin Hood."

In France and Mexico the movie "Fans" also voted first honours to the Fairbanks production. The contests in those two countries were conducted by the leading "fan" magazines, and a certificate of the vote has been received by Mr. Fairbanks at Hollywood.

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BOOKS

"CANTON HAD FALLEN."

Five Days Of A Revolution.

The five days I spent in Canton were like a weird kaleidoscope of an unknown world.

Arriving in Canton on the morning of January 15th, my first thought was to interview General Chen Ching-ming, the Military Governor who still held "the balance of power" although the word of Pao-mo was already inscribed over his head. His G. H. Q. was out of the city opposite the foot of Cloud Mountain, near the Temple of Kwan Yik—the Goddess of Mercy, and he "was seeing no one." A kind friend who had been furnished with the "news of war," interceded to arrange the meeting, and within the hour a messenger came that General Chen's right-hand man, the Chief of Staff of the Chinese Army, General Wong Long, who was also Director of the Arsenal, was awaiting me in the private office of a certain bank. By the time I arrived the General had been waiting some half hour, with a faint inward sentiment of uneasiness may be imagined when one remembers that even then he was arranging to escape from the City. In company with his disdained Chief, it was then five-thirty and three hours later that we were on a train, which by six o'clock was pitched up sufficiently to reveal its far as Shelding Bridge any of the rolling stock of the Canton-Kowloon R. R. could be made to function as the equipment had been captured and then neglected sadly.

It was reported that General Chen Ching-ming had to retreat

because of shortage of funds. The troops are largely mercenary and have an unpleasant habit of going where the gold is—an all-important factor in the Revolution Business.

According to one story it was agreed that each soldier was to receive five Mexican dollars for each battle. The first battle money was forthcoming, but the second battle money was held up. No pay, ergo, no fight. The Yuan and the Kwangsi troops were fast approaching on the West while Sun Yat-sen's forces under General Hu Sung-shu after victorious operations around Poochow, were advancing from Fukien Province straight towards General Chen's now reserves at Waichow. The next morning I found that General Chen Ching-ming had taken himself out of the picture, not forgetting, however, to take with him much material from the Arsenal, together with its Director, General Wong Keung, and money from the Mint and the Treasury.

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never, if I were to see the Great Man, so I suggested several reasons why the meeting might not prove disadvantageous to the General, finishing with the remark that since the Commander-in-Chief was very busy, it would be as well to have the honour accorded that afternoon, whereupon the General broke out in English we had been speaking in French, which he speaks very well.

"Yes, he is busy and I am a busy man too." Indeed no one would feel inclined to dispute him. Not enough money to pay the troops, many of them disaffected and no reliance to be placed upon many of others. The trifling matter of the new army equipment being composed of German guns and Indian ammunition, which did not fit them any more harmoniously than the national themselves; hordes of advancing Kwangsi and Yunnanese troops victorious from San Shin and Ho-how; personal affairs to be straightened out and only a question of hours before he would be facing the serious problem of how to preserve his head in a comfortable position upon his shoulders. Yes, any unprejudiced observer would be willing to grant that the General was busy. The interview ended with the same ease and courtesy with which it had begun.

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A GOOD NOVEL.

This is a cleverly written novel which portrays very truly the life of American youth in a provincial town. Guy Plummer, the hero of the story, a much-looked-up-to youthful prodigy of his school, and boy of great promise, is the only child of a very domineering and bigoted person. Having been trained from infancy according to Puritanical ideas, he grows up in almost complete ignorance of sexual matters. Being intelligent beyond his years he is often brought to wonder at the behaviour of his less unsophisticated friends towards the girls of his set; and the liberties they take with them. In his innocence he first admires but afterwards falls violently in love with Bee Chew, the pretty daughter of their foremost barrister. Old Chew is unfortunately a pagan, and a mite in his father's eye. Finding Bee reciprocating his love, he makes bold advances and regular visits until they find the fire of passion too much for them to resist and inevitably commit "the great indiscretion." From there the story goes on to describe the misery of their child in their lives.

In weaving this dramatic plot, our unknown author has made a great hit, especially with his wonderful characterization of human nature.

—W.Z.
(West of the Water Tower. By Amnon John Long. 7s. 6d.)

NEIL LYONS.

It's nice to see that Neil Lyons' new book, "Love us All," is being reviewed so well. Lyons is a shy little man, with a bad stutter. His sketches of cockney life are truer than those of any other writer, largely because he goes straight to life for them. He'll sit for hours in order to get a real slice from life, which in the telling may only occupy half a page.

When his play, "London Pride," was running in London to packed houses he became a C.B. Tommy stationed at Brighton. Asked by his O.C. the nature of his profession, he replied: "An author." Whereupon the other said: "Oh, that's good, because you'll have a lot of writing to do," and promptly made him an Army clerk.

the absence of Dr. Sun Yat-sen, this was not easy.

*From Chinese Lanterns, By Grace S. Thompson. Setap. Illustrated. Penny Svo. 12s. 6d. net.

FROM THE NEW BOOKS.

THE LOVER'S COMPLAINT.

"The worst has happened: I'm off my feed. As gentle a brute of kidnappers as ever you saw. I had to cover them up—they stoned me reproachfully. I tell you I've got it bad. I've got to the matematrical stage—adding up how many hours before I see her again, subtracting so many for sleep, and gloating at the balance as if it were a bad debt."—*And Fire Were Punished*, by Dornford Yates (Ward, Lock), 7s. 6d. net.

THE DANCE.

The Dance of the Pen and Ink Club was held at the Lotus Room, Knightsbridge, that barracks-like building which seems to exist only for these sad affairs. The Pen and Ink evidently went in for quality in its membership, rather than quantity; and the band, when I arrived, was giving out the peculiarly thin sound which bands always produce in very large rooms that are only one-sixth part full.

The few couples dancing on the board narrows of floor appeared sombre and introspective, as if they were meditating on the body upstairs and realising that all flesh is as grass. Around the room, on

those gilt chairs which are only seen in subscription dance halls, weird beings were taking in under-

standings, probably about the trend of Scandinavian literature. In fact the only bright spot on the whole gloomy business was that it occurred, before the era of tortoise-shell-rimmed spectacles.

—*Whidby*, by P. G. Wodehouse (Herbert Jenkins), 3s. 6d.

THE MARRIED MAN.

Nearly every married man you

meet knows how to govern his wife, but the trouble is she won't let him.

—What were the last words of Brigham Young?" asked the teacher. "He never had any," replied the smart lad boy, "he was a married man."—"Quotable Interlocutors," by D. B. Knox (Fisher Unwin), 3s. 6d.

FROM "AUGUSTUS CAMP, ESO."

Perhaps the week in which I

was most interested was that of

the Anti-Dramatic and Salutary Union, founded by Ezekiel Stool.

Probably the most persistent and

unflinching opponent that the

theatre and dancing saloon have

ever known, he was then some

twenty-six years of age and of a

very remarkable and beautiful char-

acter. Indeed, all that he lacked of these two qualities in his actual physical appearance seemed to have been concentrated with additional force in his spiritual personality. Not taller than myself, and weighing considerably less, he had suffered all his life from an inherent dread of shaving, and the greater portion of his face was in consequence oblitered by a profuse but gentle growth of hair. His voice, too, owing to some developmental defect, had only partially broken; and indeed, his father Abraham (afterwards removed to an asylum) had on more than one occasion attempted to sacrifice him, under the mistaken impression that he was some sort of animal that would be suitable as a burnt offering.—*Augustus Camp, Esq.*, by Himself (Heinemann).

Poor Minnie!

"Poor Minnie! Why was I once so fond of saying 'Good Lord' heart-feltly, when one heard she was coming to tea? And why did one never have the heart to refuse to let her come to tea? She was pathetic, but pathetic in such a boring way. There are some people you like being kind to, people you want to help and befriend. But poor Minnie had none of these charms. She was just a great big healthy young woman of twenty-eight, who ought to have been married and the mother of children—and who wasn't. It just happened that none of the men she knew had ever wanted to marry her. And why should they want to? When she came into a room the light seemed to grow perceptibly dimmer, the electric tension slackened off. She brought no life with her; she absorbed what there was; she was like so much blotting-paper."—*Little Mexican and Other Stories*, by Aldous Huxley (Chatto and Windus), 7s. 6d.

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SMOOTH SAYINGS.

It is easier to say a kind, word

from an easy chair than from an

uneasy chair.—Arnold Bennett.

Most nations have more history

than they really require.—Philip

Guedalla.

My idea of a perfect holiday

would be, not a luff by the sea or

among the Swiss Alps—but a week

with a crowd in the cinema and

glass department of one of these

big West End stores.—Stacy

Annonier.

There is much more to be said

for democracy as a form of society

than for democracy as a form of

government.—Dean Digby.

WHEN SIX MEN LOVE ONE GIRL.

—there's bound to be

some "Excitement!" Six

nice young men had their

minds made up to win

Nina Lyons—what was the

poor girl to do? Here's a

picture that typifies the

American girl of to-day—

full of fast action, clean

comedy and plenty of

excitement.

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LARGE and SMALL HATS DIVIDE INTEREST



A NEW MODEL FOR WEAR WITH THE TAILORED SUIT



AN INDOOR FASHION AFTER THE DIRECTOIRE-TAPIOKE-TIME

ERINIE HELD BY A METAL BUCKLE ON MILAN

Late Spring Brings the Broad-Brimmed Hat As a Promise of Summer—Straw With Fabric is "Vogue"—Trimmings.

THE problem of selecting the most becoming, but is complicated by the wide variety of every known shape and not equally with choice of unknown shapes. This should present delight to the woman who adores "trying on" although it can hardly be "trying on" but "trying on" the saleswoman whose suggestions are usually ignored. Fashions in millinery change so rapidly at this season of the year, and there is always such a potent fascination in the about-to-be disclosed model, that the crafty buyer succeeds to buy artificially, economically, yet with an eye to the future. Briefly—if one can easily be brief in any summary of the millinery mode—the small hat, which lends itself graciously to the slender silhouette, and the large hat, which means distinction if one wears it well, are both being generally featured with the accent—if there be any—on the small, tailored shape.

Straw With Fabric The preference, and it applies to the small, rather than the large hat—is "straw with fabric" although there are many notable exceptions to verify it. It would be impossible for anyone to really be sure of the season, so far as hats are concerned, if she did not look at the calendar, for there are straws—Milan, Indian head straw, cellulose, Leghorn, tinsel and crinol; straw with moire, faille, bengaline, felt and velvet; all felt hats and all silk hats—faille, bengaline and moire, the favourites. Velvet is being prominently featured, even this early in the season, where in former years we have come to expect it about July. The large picture shapes presuppose chiffon, Georgette, fine lace, etc., it is a lace season—fine faces, especially Chantilly.

One must, necessarily, report the cloche, for it is still a center of the millinery world. It hangs on tenaciously, and there seems to be more grain of truth in the prophecy that so long as bobbed hair is fashion, the cloche will be worn. It is interesting to note—and then one can draw her own conclusions—that never were barbers and hair-dressers so busy bobbing hair. We are not yet done with the ubiquitous cloche. The tricorn and the sailor are sharing honors with the cloche for wear with the tailored suit, and the Russian turban, high in front, and the Chinese turban are worn. Then, too, there are shapes that start like a cloche, and so point their brims that they become tricornes; odd little hats with scalloped brims; and shapes with double and triple tiered brims.

The trimmings for these hats are tailored, and ribbon-plaided taffeta, grosgrain, belting, moire, ombre or cire is best liked of all the simple trims. It makes bows, flat bands, runs a devious way through loops of straw, and forms the sole ornament on a straight-brimmed sailor with an odd ribbon or contrasting piping and bindings feathers applied flatly on tanque and turquise; there are a few of the trimmings that appear. There are, too, many individual fashions in the small hat mode, but no one of them

is anything but simplicity itself. Such a fashion is the bob hat of Milan with an ornamental bob dangling from a grosgrain or moire ribbon; the monogram hat or the one that assures you that "Qui veut peut," and proves it—such a hat has a matching stick-to-match, moto and all; and the needle-work of fabric embroidered or appliqued.

Unusual Makes For Individuality. If a unique or unusual trimming can be found, it is exploited in the interests of individuality. Such a trimming is the huge buck; the hat trimmed solely with a quill in buck; the hat of suede in a high colour; and the turban with scarf trimming, worn with a scarf to match. Never has there been a season when there were so many radiantly new ideas developed in pliant shapes and blithe colourings. One may arrive at the large hat mode by easy stages, for there are many in between shapes, neither large nor small, but, large enough to satisfy the woman of generous proportions who may not wear the picture hat type becomingly. Neither the high crown, the broad brim—with pock tendencies, or the jockey lines are universally becoming, but when one can wear them becomingly, they are very fetching. Directoire veils, Directoire seals and a deal of yellow and blue are the salient features of the particular style.

The light-weight fancy straws and the ribbed fabrics of the large hat mode are made the most of in the newest picture models. Nothing will, in all probability, ever take the place of the garden hat for warm weather wear on certain occasions, and much of picturesqueness would depart from our costume, were it eliminated. Unusual and graceful shapes of no particular period; models that are a legacy from the reign of Louis the Sixteenth; the leghorn "flop" hat; and the mushrooming or straight-brimmed picture hats; all these are represented for the coming season. They are, first of all, exquisite of straw or fabric, graceful of shape and dashing as to trimming. They make use of ribbons, laces, flowers, feathers and maline, and add much to the joy of living by their charm and beauty. Every woman who has any logical use for it, and can wear it becomingly, should own a broad-brimmed hat.

Strangely enough, some of the trimmings on these hats incline to the simplicities of the tailored, taking tailored bands and bows of ribbon; appliques; embroideries, especially in the tapestry stitch; and flowers applied closely and flatly, almost in the manner of applique. Flowers are, of course, the logical trimming of the summer hat, and this year, fashion is high, but nothing else. There is nothing lovelier, in the larger hat realm than mushroomed shapes, garlanded with flowers or with its drop enhanced with sprays of peacock or glycerined starch.

DID YOU KNOW—

THAT a new cane in smart malacca can be divided into three parts—one will be a pen, one a pencil, and the third a flask for ink or perfume? It is one of the most unique of many novelty accessories.

THAT another old-time material—this time it is celluloid—has been resurrected to bring variety to the world of materials? It is effectively used in frills of the tailored type and in coats for the summer dresses?

THAT fabric gloves are following the designs that have been popularized in kidkin? And silk gloves keep close to the fashion of fancy cuffs and much ornamentation?

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THE TREND IN CORSETRY.

THERE have been the most amazing developments in the corset world the past few years; developments that have yielded much of real comfort to all womankind, especially the woman with full figure. The gradual evolution of the corset from a stiff, com-

paratively unyielding, heavily boned affair to a lightly made garment has been almost imperceptible, but it has taken place just the same, and flexibility is now the watchword rather than uncompromising rigidity.

Curiously enough, the result is a happy one in appearance as well as a welcome one in the way of comfort.

There is a fundamental reason for the change that will appeal to even the most skeptical—the lightly made corset follows the natural lines of the figure, where the rigid garment does not.

This is as it should be, if one makes it his business to be sure that unlovely lines are, at the same time, corrected.

For the slender woman there are the loveliest sorts of outfit, consisting of corset and matching blouse, both made of recognized braised fabrics—lame, satin, silk, etc., and organza.

Lighter models in suede fabric have a little more resistance, and they launder perfectly garments that make a very generous use of elastic are well-liked—and they are doing wonders with elastic these days—and the step-corset has many followers. The nicest thing about all this is—there is a wide variety, and one may be as light or as firmly corseted as her corseter—not she herself—feels she should. The trend is toward, not away from, the corset.



ONE, TWO AND THREE SILK SCARFS ARE CORRECT FOR WEAR WITH THE SUIT OR THE ONE-PIECE FROCK.

Mah Jongg enthusiasts may now own a set of holders fitted with pegs and complete with real Chinese coins for counters. It is a clever, artistic and convenient accessory to the game, and would make an excellent prize.

THE VOUGE OF PLEATS.

FOR a time fashion had the unsatisfactory habit of discarding even the best liked details of a season's styling with the coming of a new mode, but one of the most noticeable changes of the past few years is the increasing tendency to retain a style or mode or detail, if it proves all popular.

This has been the case with pleats, which were viewed a bit skeptically in the light of our experience with other vogues—when they first appeared. But it happens that fashion's liking for this smart and graceful bit of detail has waxed, rather than waned, with every season following its introduction, and as a result we have pleats as a definite vogue.

If one may be permitted to include frills in the list, there will be hardly a

corner of the realm of style into which pleats do not penetrate. They make whole dresses and costume suits; separate skirts and blouses; and trim with panels, inserts, tiers, and flounces the frocks that are not wholly made up of pleats. They are used on lingerie and boudoir apparel; on neckwear; on hats and as shoe ornaments. A coat may be made wholly of fine pleats, and a cap the same, and the very newest fancy in the suit world is satin done into pleats.

There is a tendency to the narrow pleat, and a smart little tube frock has three tiers that alternate narrow pleats and the plain material, each tier headed with tubing of the fabric, which is Georgette. Even the most severe models in tailored cloth frocks make a concession to decoration with an insert of the material pleated

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Summer ermine and white coney called "ermine"—are well liked, for they are not only light of weight, but may be had in the colors beige, platinum, coco and nude shades, as well as in white. Winter coney in sable, beige, kolinsky and sable colors and natural squirrel is well liked. Caracul has lost

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A PROPOS of the progress of affairs in the world of women, news items are appearing constantly with word of the increase in the number of bobbed heads, for the fashion is the increase, and some have gone so far as to prophecy that 5 years from now long hair will be obsolete. While it is a subject at which much humorous comment is directed, it is really a serious problem—the question "To bob or not to bob." When short hair came into fashion, a few short seasons ago, the style of the hair cut was appropriate for youth only, and when an older woman adopted it, it was ridiculous.

But the comfort and convenience of short hair is undeniable and whenever started the craze was quite powerless, even failing to stem the tide, and a result hundreds of women are having their hair cut daily and things have reached a stage where the woman with a mass of hair finds it extremely difficult to buy a hat, that is, if she would be at all "showy." Designers are entering to the bobbed head, and head sizes are small, almost without exception. And there are many bobs from which to choose, so that if one has her hair cut by an expert she can be sure of advice as to the correct style for her, and nine times out of ten her appearance is improved in the same proportion that comfort is gained.

Many women have their hair bobbed, but it, if they are not fortunate enough to possess a natural wave, then laid down in such a way that the waves are lost. Women are more and more, all the time, the interest of type and judging by the present trend indicated in the busy beauty and barber shops, the answer to the above-mentioned problem is, most emphatically, "to bob."

Furs Belong to Every Season of the Year

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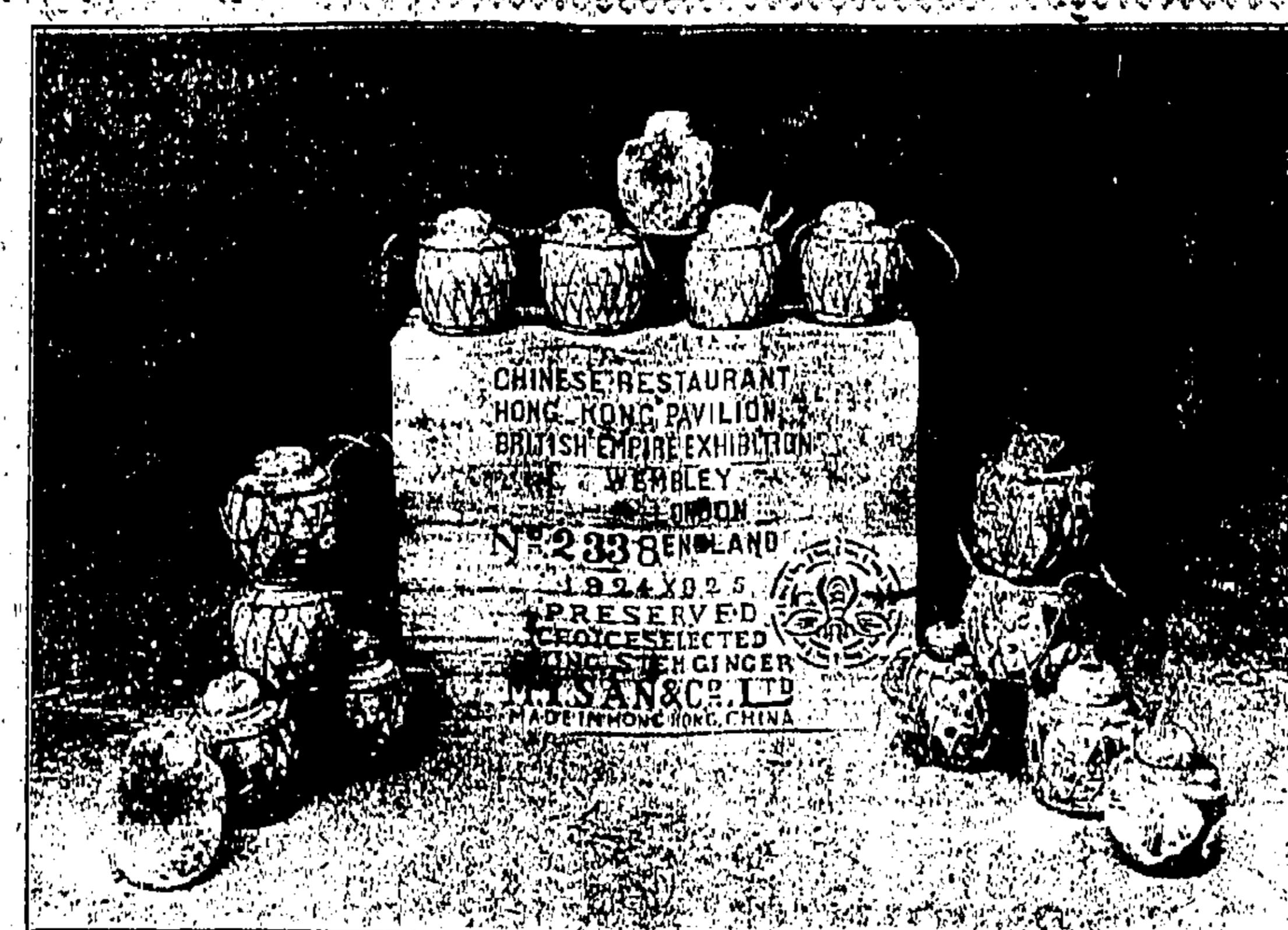


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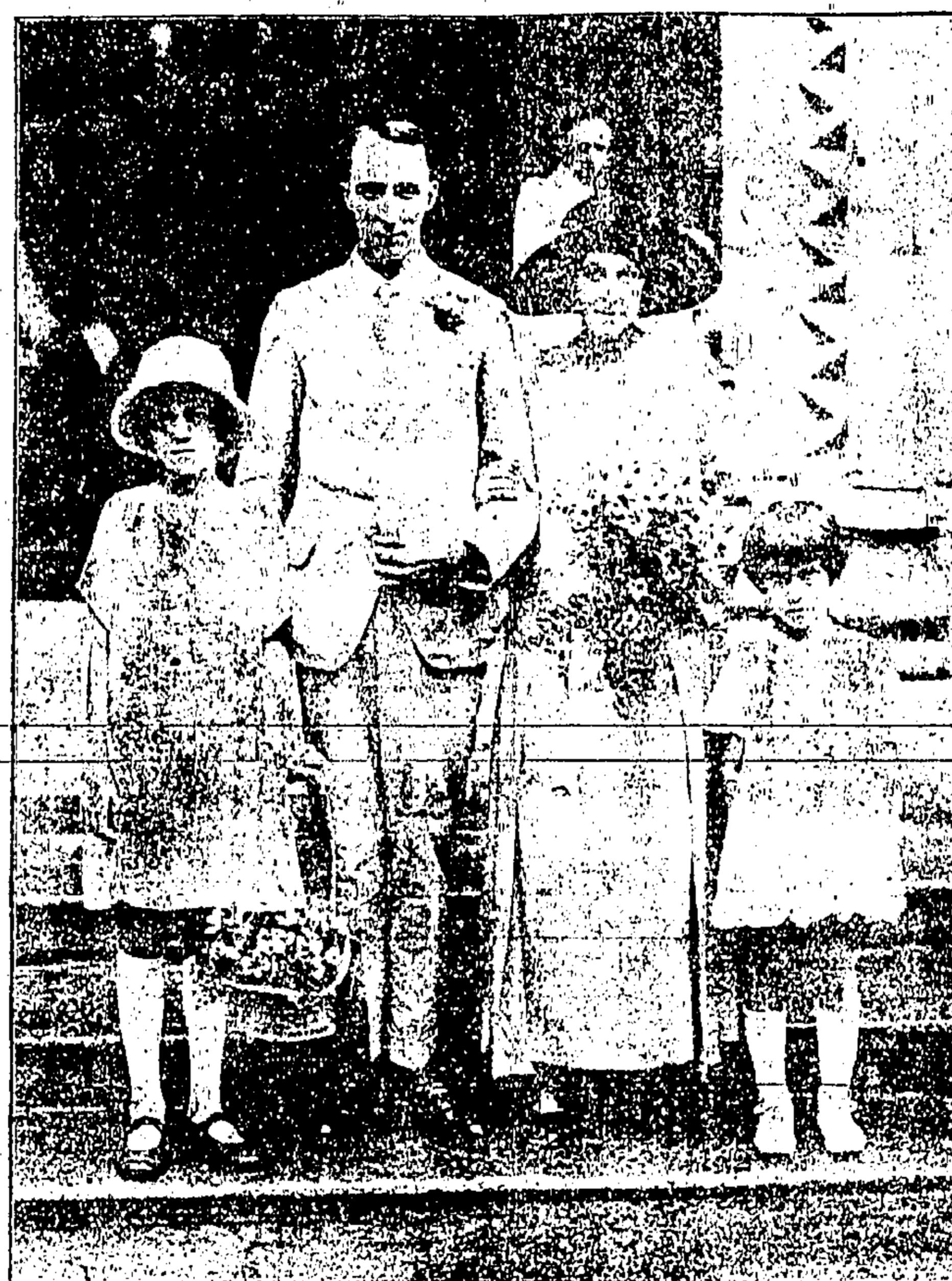
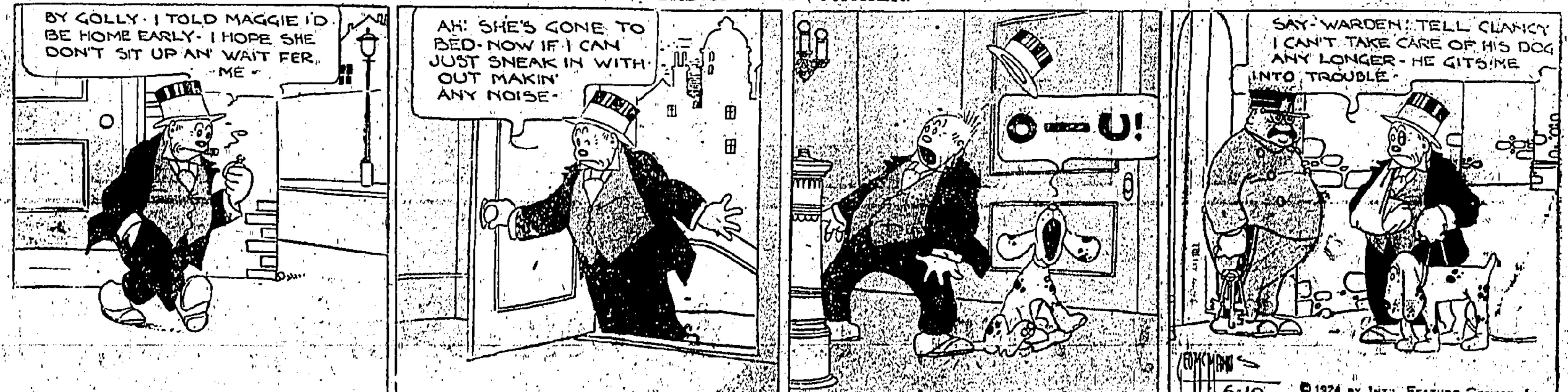


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A picture that shows the strange places of the earth, without losing the gripping elements of its story is "Forever," Paramount's screen version of George Du Maurier's Novel, "Peter Ibbetson," which will be displayed at the Coronet shortly. Elsie Ferguson and Wallace Reid are co-stars in this great George Fitzmaurice production.

In the dream scene Elsie Ferguson and Wallace Reid are revealed in a gondola in a Venetian canal, in an ice palace in Russia, at the circus Maximus in Rome, on the desert sands in Algeria, and at various show places in England and France.

In point of expense "Forever" is one of the foremost picture productions of the year. The sets are exact copies of the places they represent, having been made from photographs and old prints of the days about which George Du Maurier wrote. The supporting cast is one of the strongest assembled in any recent picture and includes, besides the stars, Montagu Love, George Fawcett, Elliott Dexter, Barbara Dean, Dolores Cassinelli and others.

NOVEL FILMED.

"The Bachelor Girl" Here.

"The Bachelor Girl," adapted to the screen from Victor Marguerite's famous novel "La Garonne," will be shown at the World Theatre, is a study in the post-war psychology of a girl thrown at the outset into the society of the French nouveaux riches and subjected to all the temptations of a decadent period.

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The Bachelor Girl or Monique Leblier is played by Miss Frances Dehlie, an actress of unusual beauty and grace with mimetic talent which insures her complete success as a screen player. On the stage she won laurels and each new appearance has increased her popularity immensely.

Of the film itself it may be said that it rises to a high level of art. Many parts in the vein of French realism which in the book might be objected to, have been deleted from the screen version and there is nothing which in any way is calculated to bring a blush to the cheek of a woman or a child. Indeed the play affords much food for serious thought amongst people who view with apprehension the tendencies of the age.

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SATURDAY, AUGUST 2.			
Shanghai	Frechuen	Pres. Taft.	
U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	SUNDAY, AUGUST 3.	Pres. Taft.	
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MONDAY, AUGUST 4.			
U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Garfield		
TUESDAY, AUGUST 5.			
Manila	Pres. Jackson		
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6.			
Canada U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Emp. of Australia		
THURSDAY, AUGUST 7.			
EUROPE via Suez (Letters and Papers London 10th July and Parcels 3rd July)	Halyan		
SATURDAY, AUGUST 9.	Pres. Jefferson		
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OUTWARD MAIRS.

	FROM	TO	TIME
SATURDAY, AUGUST 2.			
Weihaiwei	Huichow	3 p.m.	
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AUSTRALIA and New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday Island			
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Hoibow, Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Mauary	8.30 a.m.	
SUNDAY, AUGUST 3.			
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Manila, Parcels 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Amakose	9 a.m.	
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MONDAY, AUGUST 4.			
Hoibow and Haiphong	Teccary	9 a.m.	
Manila	Sutang	9 a.m.	
Swatow	Hydrangea	9 a.m.	
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TUESDAY, AUGUST 5.			
Hoibow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Teccary	8.30 a.m.	
Manila	Parcels	10.30 a.m.	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Baldong	10.30 a.m.	
Swatow and Bangkok	Kaying	1 p.m.	
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6.			
Fookang	Fookang	1 p.m.	
THURSDAY, AUGUST 7.			
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Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haining	4 p.m.	
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Java via Batavia	Titaren	10 a.m.	
SUNDAY, AUGUST 9.			
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